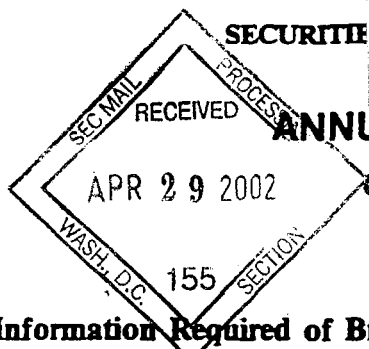


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**Information Required of Brokers and Dealers Pursuant to Section 17 of the**  
**Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 17a-5 Thereunder**

REPORT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING 3/1/01 AND ENDING 2/28/02  
MM/DD/YY MM/DD/YY

**A. REGISTRANT IDENTIFICATION**

NAME OF BROKER-DEALER:

Baron Capital, Inc.

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FIRM ID. NO.

ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS: (Do not use P.O. Box No.)

767 Fifth Avenue

(No. and Street)

New York

New York

10153

(City)

(State)

(Zip Code)

NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF PERSON TO CONTACT IN REGARD TO THIS REPORT

Ronald Baron

(212) 583-2000

(Area Code — Telephone No.)

**B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICATION**

INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT whose opinion is contained in this Report\*

Richard A. Eisner & Company, LLP

(Name — if individual, state last, first, middle name)

575 Madison Avenue

New York

NY

10022

(Address)

(City)

(State)

Zip Code)

CHECK ONE:

- ☒ Certified Public Accountant
- ☐ Public Accountant
- ☐ Accountant not resident in United States or any of its possessions.

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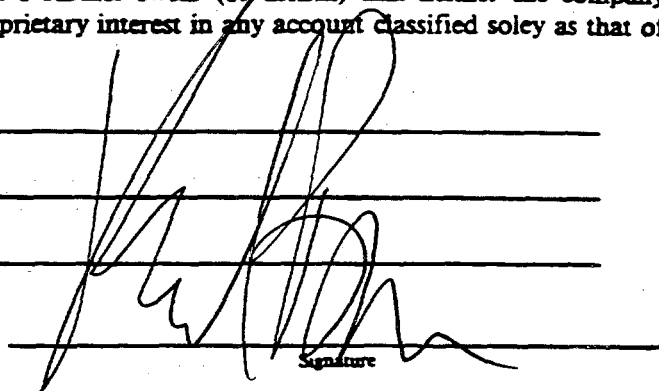
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## OATH OR AFFIRMATION

I, Ronald Baron, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of my knowledge and belief the accompanying financial statement and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of Baron Capital, Inc., as of February 28, 2002, are true and correct. I further swear (or affirm) that neither the company nor any partner, proprietor, principal officer or director has any proprietary interest in any account classified solely as that of a customer, except as follows:

**Maribel Soulaire**  
Notary Public, State of New York  
No. 01808042587  
Qualified in New York County  
Commission Expires May 31, 2002

  
Notary Public

  
Chairman and CEO  
Title

This report\*\* contains (check all applicable boxes):

- ☒ (a) Facing page.
- ☒ (b) Statement of Financial Condition.
- ☐ (c) Statement of Income (Loss).
- ☐ (d) Statement of Changes in Financial Condition.
- ☐ (e) Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity or Partners' or Sole Proprietor's Capital.
- ☐ (f) Statement of Changes in Liabilities Subordinated to Claims of Creditors.
- ☐ (g) Computation of Net Capital
- ☐ (h) Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements Pursuant to Rule 15c3-3.
- ☐ (i) Information Relating to the Possession or control Requirements Under Rule 15c3-3.
- ☐ (j) A Reconciliation, including appropriate explanation, of the Computation of Net Capital Under Rule 15c3-1 and the Computation for Determination of the Reserve Requirements Under Exhibit A of Rule 15c3-3.
- ☐ (k) A Reconciliation between the audited and unaudited Statements of Financial Condition with respect to methods of consolidation.
- ☒ (l) An Oath or Affirmation.
- ☐ (m) A copy of the SIPC Supplemental Report.
- ☐ (n) A report describing any material inadequacies found to exist or found to have existed since the date of the previous audit.

\*\*For conditions of confidential treatment of certain portions of this filing, see section 240.17a-5(e)(3).

**BARON CAPITAL, INC.**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION**  
**FEBRUARY 28, 2002**

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Stockholder and Board of Directors  
Baron Capital, Inc.  
New York, New York

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Baron Capital, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Baron Capital Group, Inc., as of February 28, 2002. This statement of financial condition is the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on this statement of financial condition based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statement is free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statement. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the statement of financial condition referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Baron Capital, Inc. as of February 28, 2002, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

*Richard A Eisner & Company LLP*

New York, New York  
March 28, 2002

# **BARON CAPITAL, INC.**

## **Statement of Financial Condition February 28, 2002**

### **ASSETS**

Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 4,204,386
Investment in marketable securities (cost of \$448,645)	534,827
Due from corresponding broker	211,790
Due from parent and affiliates	551,675
Deferred tax benefit	323,000
Investment in limited partnership	197,500
Investment in nonmarketable security (cost of \$1,003,292)	250,000
Other assets	<u>812,346</u>
	<b><u>\$ 7,085,524</u></b>

### **LIABILITIES**

Accrued expenses and other liabilities	\$ 2,033,023
Due to affiliate	2,306,645
Taxes payable	<u>53,100</u>
	<b><u>4,392,768</u></b>

### Commitments

### **STOCKHOLDER'S EQUITY**

Common stock - \$1.00 par value; 1,000 shares authorized, 100 shares issued and outstanding	100
Additional paid-in capital	1,000,065
Retained earnings	<u>1,692,591</u>
	<b><u>2,692,756</u></b>
	<b><u>\$ 7,085,524</u></b>

## **BARON CAPITAL, INC.**

### **Notes to Statement of Financial Condition February 28, 2002**

#### **NOTE A - THE COMPANY**

Baron Capital, Inc. (the "Company"), a wholly owned subsidiary of Baron Capital Group, Inc. ("BCG"), is a registered broker/dealer clearing all of its customer transactions through a correspondent broker on a fully disclosed basis.

#### **NOTE B - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

##### **[1] Securities transactions and valuation:**

The Company records securities transactions on a trade-date basis. Realized gains and losses from securities transactions are calculated on a specific identification method.

Investments in marketable securities are valued on the last business day of the year at the last available reported price with unrealized gains and losses included in the statement of operations.

*Investment in a nonmarketable security is carried at estimated fair value as determined by the Board of Directors.*

The Company is a limited partner in an affiliated partnership. This investment is being carried at estimated fair value in the statement of financial condition, based upon the underlying investments with the resulting depreciation reflected in the statement of operations. The underlying assets of the partnership consist of investments in nonmarketable securities which have been valued by the partnership's management.

Because of the inherent uncertainty of valuation of the nonmarketable security and the partnership, their estimated fair values may differ from the values that would have been used had a ready market existed and the difference could be material.

##### **[2] Use of estimates:**

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### **NOTE C - INCOME TAXES**

The accounts of the Company, its parent and two affiliated companies are included in consolidated federal, state and local income tax returns. The Company computes its tax expense as if it were a separate entity. The deferred tax benefit will ultimately be realized through the intercompany accounts.

#### **NOTE D - PENSION AND PROFIT-SHARING PLANS**

The Company maintains a defined contribution pension plan and a profit-sharing plan. All employees who have completed one year of service and have attained 21 years of age are eligible to participate. Plan contributions are based on the compensation of the participant. In the case of the pension plan, the contribution percentage is fixed. The contribution percentage is determined at the discretion of the Board of Directors in the case of the profit-sharing plan. Participants in the plans become fully vested upon obtaining eligibility status.

## **BARON CAPITAL, INC.**

### **Notes to Statement of Financial Condition February 28, 2002**

#### **NOTE E - NET CAPITAL**

The Company is subject to the Securities and Exchange Commission Uniform Net Capital Rule (Rule 15c-3-1), which requires the maintenance of minimum net capital and requires that the ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital, both as defined, shall not exceed 15 to 1. At February 28, 2002, the Company had net capital of approximately \$1,049,000 which is \$756,000 in excess of its required net capital. The Company's ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital was 4.19 to 1.

#### **NOTE F - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

A substantial part of the Company's income is generated from five affiliated investment companies, two investment partnerships and an offshore fund.

The Company shares office, administrative and occupancy expenses with BCG and two affiliated corporations. For the year ended February 28, 2002, BCG assumed all administrative and occupancy expenses of the Company. The amounts due to these entities as of February 28, 2002 of \$2,306,645 represent intercompany charges owed to these entities.

#### **NOTE G - CONTINGENCIES**

As a nonclearing broker, the Company has its customers' transactions cleared through another broker/dealer pursuant to a clearance agreement. Nonperformance by its customers in fulfilling their contractual obligations pursuant to securities transactions with the clearing broker may expose the Company to risk and potential loss. The Company utilizes a clearing broker that is highly capitalized and is a member of major securities exchanges.